

MEDIA ADVISORY

<u>Thursday, October 24th - Saturday, October 26th</u> <u>9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.</u> Golden Pin Lanes

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SPECIAL OLYMPICS CORONADO AREA BOWLING COMPETITION

Who:

960 Special Olympics athletes from Tucson and southern Arizona will be joined by more than 300 volunteers from:

- The Tucson Police Department
- The United States Air Force (Davis Monthan AFB & 162nd FW Air National Guard)
- University of Arizona Freshman Class Council and Student Organizations
- · Local Businesses and Civic Organizations

The event is sponsored by the Tucson Conquistadores, University of Arizona Health Plans, Knights of Columbus, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Geico, Community Partnership of Southern Arizona and the Tucson Five Hundred Club.

What:

Special Olympics athletes representing 25 area teams will compete in singles, doubles, team and ramp bowling. Elementary and middle school athletes compete on Thursday, high school athletes compete on Friday and adults compete on Saturday. Athletes vie for medals and ribbons in their respective events, and strive to uphold the Special Olympics athlete oath: "Let me win. But if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt."

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Where: Golden Pin Lanes

1010 W. Miracle Mile Tucson, AZ 85705

MORE INFO:

Special Olympics Arizona is part of the world's leading program of sports training and athletic competition for people with intellectual disabilities, and boasts a 38-year track record of creating positive attitudes towards its athletes worldwide, and a commitment to athlete empowerment, dignity and leadership. There are currently more than 2,000 Special Olympics athletes living and training in Tucson and surrounding communities.

For more information, visit www.Special OlympicsArizona.org.